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## THE MORMONS ENLISTED

### In a Campaign for Local Option.

## ULTIMATE PROHIBITION

### The Politicians of All Parties Admit That the Policy of the Church Will Lead.

## OTHERS SPOKE IN SAME VEIN

### President Smith Said "There is a Movement Throughout the Land For Local Option and I Hold That Every Latter Day Saint Will Help.

SALT LAKE CITY, April 4.—By the utterance of the leaders' the Mormon Church today was enlisted in a campaign for local option and ultimate prohibition, President Smith in opening the seventy-eighth conference saying: "There is a movement throughout the land for local option and I hold that every Latter Day Saint will co-operate with the movement in that we may curtail the monster, interperance. We think and feel that people should be permitted to say if they will have drunkenness, riot, murder and kindred crimes which too often come from the use of strong drink."

Other church authorities spoke in the same vein. The politicians of all parties admit that the policy of the church will lead to an early enactment of local option law in this state and possibly in other states, Idaho and Wyoming, where the Mormon vote is large. Coming at this time the faithful members of the church will receive his utterance as an inspired command.

## CHANGE OF VENUE.

PORTLAND, April 4.—J. Thornburn Ross, T. T. Burkhart, John E. Hitchison and George H. Hill, officials of the insolvent Title Guarantee & Trust Company will not be tried in Multnomah county. A change of venue to Marion county was granted today by the state circuit court for Multnomah county. The change was not granted with the unanimous consent of the circuit judges of this district, Judge O'Day dissenting from the opinion concurred in by Judges Cleland, Gantenbein and Bronaugh. Judge O'Day was unable to find any justification of the claim of Ross and others that an impartial and entirely fair trial could not be held in this county. Ross and the defendants are charged with a felony in connection with the failure of the bank last fall.

## TAFT'S BUSY DAY.

CHICAGO, April 4.—Secretary Taft spent a second busy day in Chicago with another round of receptions and speeches, winding up with the banquet of the commercial club of Chicago at the Congress hotel tonight. In his strolls the Secretary carefully avoided politics although in his evening address he touched upon questions of public importance.

## MATCH ARRANGED.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—Abe Attell and Brooklyn Tommy Sullivan tonight were matched for 20 round at some date in the latter part of this month at 123 pounds.

## BRYAN BOLTERS. Contend That Convention Chairman Couldn't Conduct Meeting.

OMAHA, The Nebraska delegation which bolted the Populist convention at St. Louis upon their arrival today issued a statement to the press in explanation of their action. They declare that the old-time Populists were for the most part absent from the convention and that the management of the gathering showed a total disregard for parliamentary usage and the rights of accredited delegates.

"We believe that whole thing was financed (and they seemed to have plenty of money) by men who organized what is known as the independence league, hoping thereby to effect the downfall of both Bryan and Watson.

## ADMIRAL EVANS.

### Is Paying Strict Attention to Bath Remedies and Improving.

PASO ROBLES, April 4.—Admiral Evans is much improved today and is resting well tonight. He had a bath and massage in the morning and was afterwards wheeled about the grounds. Later in the afternoon he had another massage treatment and seemed to feel much better. Dr. McDonald stated tonight that he was positive the admiral was suffering from no organic ailment and that his trouble is simply inflammatory rheumatism. The admiral walked about his room on crutches today.

## ADVOCATED BY LOW

### Proposed Amendments to the Anti-Trust Law.

## GOMPERS' STRONG SPEECH

### He Declared That the Working Men of the Country Would Not Wait Much Longer For Remedial Legislation.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The proposed amendments to the Sherman anti-trust law as framed by the national civic federation and introduced by Hepburn in the House were advocated today before the subcommittee of the House judiciary committee by Seth Low of New York, Samuel Gompers, President A. F. Garretton of the Railway Conductors and Theodore Marburg of Baltimore. That there will be strong opposition to the measure was intimated by a number of telegrams to Chairman Littlefield of the subcommittee from manufacturing and other business concerns of the country. Gompers was the principal speaker. He declared that the workmen of the country would not wait much longer for remedial legislation. He related that once before it was agreed that this act should not include combinations between laborers with a view of lessening the number of hours of labor or increasing their wages, nor combinations, persons engaged in agricultural or horticultural pursuits with a view of increasing the price of their products.

Gompers asked Littlefield if he recollected that this was not in the bill when it passed the House in 1901. Littlefield said he did and that he was one of those who voted against it. Gompers said nine voted against it "And some of them were not in Congress now."

Gompers said the Sherman law is not an anti-trust law, "It is an anti-combination law; it is law against associated effort; it is law something like a law which obtained some 2000 years ago in Rome that made every form of association or organization unlawful if it was not approved by the emperor."

## BIG CHIEF TESTIFIES

### Denied Statements of Mrs. Helen Pierce Gray.

## HE PRAISES REYNOLDS

### Best Agent Crows Ever Had in That he Helped the Indians to Help Themselves.

## IS QUESTIONED INCIDENTALLY

### Plenty Cloos Came to Washington For an Examination Concerning Two Bills of General Interest of the Crow Reservation.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Chief Plenty Cloos of the Crow tribe testified before the Senate committee on Indian affairs and in response to questions from Senator Dixon denied many of the statements of Mrs. Helen Pierce Gray that many of the Indians were mistreated by Indian Agent Reynolds. Plenty Cloos explained the manner of his tribe in farming their lands and told of the returns of the tribe to Agent Reynolds. He expressed the belief that Mayor Reynolds was the best agent that the Crows had ever had in that he helped the Indians to help themselves. The chief denied that Reynolds interfered with the members of the tribe in selling their stock and produce for the best price obtainable. In other ways he praised Reynolds but said there had been some complaint by those Indians who do not like to work. Plenty Cloos came to Washington for an examination concerning two bills of general interest of the Crow reservation and was only questioned incidentally about the charges that have been made by Mrs. Grey.

## FORMER PRIEST MARRIED.

CHICAGO, April 4.—The Record Herald today says: Jeremiah Crowley the former Roman Catholic priest whose criticism of church affairs and his fellow churchmen in the Chicago diocese brought him under the ban of an ecclesiastical interdict is now married man.

Gompers said the laboring men would favor the enactment of laws restricting the jurisdiction of the courts to property rights and that property rights be so defined so that it cannot be held that there is any property or property rights in the labor of any person. The speaker reviewed the recent court decisions and said that these would not drive organizations out of the country, but merely into secrecy. He said that he need not say that men in the open would conduct their business more intelligently and circumspectly than if they were considering the same question in secret and where freed from the criticism of the general public. The speaker then called attention to the hopelessness of the working man who should attempt to protect his rights by an individual contest in the face of modern industrial conditions. Gompers in replying to Littlefield said he favored the boycott and that his organization contended for it. Theodore Marburg during the course of his argument gave the principal cause of the recent panic as being the "Crazy policy of an attack on railroads and the unnecessary and revengeful fine imposed upon the Standard Oil Co.

The first announcement of the marriage of the former priest was made in the True Voice, the Roman Catholic periodical published weekly in Omaha, Neb. The paper received its information from Rev. J. C. McCarthy, the priest of the parish in Shayler Neb., of which Mrs. Crowley was a communicant.

Before the wedding Mrs. Crowley was Blanche Mc Lean and was employed as a stenographer in the office of Mr. Crowley. Crowley is now engaged in the real estate business in Ellensburg, Wash. Prior to leaving Chicago he was in the publishing business, his publications being books and pamphlets attacking the Roman Catholic clergy. The wedding ceremony was performed in Seattle, Mar. 9.

## REVENGE IS SWEET.

CHICAGO, April 4.—Phillip Reis, who declares he was sent to Sing Sing penitentiary for six years when he was innocent of the charge, waited 11 years for his revenge. Yesterday he recognized in a fellow prisoner at the county jail the one whose testimony had sent him into confinement. The man's name is Charles Aker.

Reiss is awaiting trial on a charge of larceny Aker is on trial charged with robbery.

It was discovered by the identification bureaus of the states attorneys office Aker had escaped from the Westfield prison, Conn. in 1899 after serving less than two years. This was revealed by Reis. If Akers is found not guilty in the robbery case he will be sent at once to the Eastern prison.

## LIMIT THEIR POWER

### Democratic Filibustering Tactics Act as a Boomerang.

## THE SWEEPING CLOTURE RULE

### One of the Few Privileges Left to the Democrats Was to Force a Roll Call on Adjournment and This They Did.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—By adopting the sweeping cloture rule in the House today, the Republicans left the Democrats very limited powers. No longer can the filibuster be conducted against sending to conference the bills with the Senate amendments no longer can a motion to close a debate be amended or discussed and no longer can a motion to adjourn take precedence over the motion to take a recess. In presenting the rule Dalzell characterized the Democratic filibuster of the last few days as "Assinine, idiotic and a disgrace to men."

The Democrats were afforded no opportunity to talk on the question and were ridden over roughshod. They tried to get even a short time afterward by various ways, seeking to amend the District of Columbia appropriation bill and then forcing a division of the House, but the Republicans observing the tactics that were being pursued, secured a ruling from the chair that all motions were dilatory. From that time on for the remainder of the session, the house resumed its wonted aspect and business proceeded in an orderly manner. One of the few privileges left to the Democrats was to force a roll call on adjournment and this they did but to no avail as the motion carried overwhelmingly.

## PORTLAND WHITEWASHED.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—In the first game of the 1908 season in the Pacific Coast league in San Francisco, Portland was easy doings for the Frisco nine by a score of 2 to 0. A big crowd gathered at the grounds to witness the initial game.

## FULTON SUED FOR SLANDER

### Accused Former Representative of Perjury.

## "SHEEREST NONSENSE"

### The Senator Was Served With the Papers in a \$5000 Slander Suit.

## TROUBLE DATES BACK TO 1897

### Considerable Attention Was Recently Paid by an Eastern Weekly Paper to an Affidavit Alleged to Have Been Made by Smith.

SALEM, Or., April 4.—At the conclusion of the speech of United States Senator Fulton here tonight in which the Senator denounced former Representative Smith for the latter's charge that Fulton had sought to influence Smith's conduct in behalf of John H. Mitchell during the so-called "hold-up" legislature in 1897, the Senator was served with the papers in a \$5000 slander suit instituted by Smith.

Considerable attention was recently paid by an Eastern weekly paper to an affidavit alleged to have been made by Smith in which the charge was made as referred to the above. Tonight Fulton, during his speech, declared as false the portion of the affidavit which alleged that he (Fulton) had anything to do with the transaction. Fulton's denial was made the basis of Smith's suit, Smith alleging that Fulton has accused him of perjury and thus injured Smith's reputation.

When asked tonight to make a statement concerning the suit Fulton laughingly replied "It is nonsense, sheerest nonsense."

## FLOATING DRY DOCK.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—The Union Iron Works are about to let a contract for the construction of a floating sectional dry dock which will accommodate, with four exceptions any vessel entering San Francisco. It will lift 7,000 tons will be 550 feet 8 inches in length and will cost about \$225,000. It is expected that the dock will be ready for use in seven months and will be located at Union Works.

## SCAFFOLD FALLS.

LOS ANGELES, April 4.—Seven injured and two perhaps fatally when a scaffold surrounding the addition to the municipal water plant at Elysian Park collapsed today precipitating to the ground eight men who were placing in position a heavy steel girder. The accident was attributed by some of the men to the excessive weight which had been placed on the scaffold.

## STOCK MARKET DULL.

### Financial difficulties of the Erie R. R. Has Been Discouraging.

NEW YORK, April 4.—The stock market has been reactionary this week and speculative sentiment has turned less hopeful, in accord with the action of the market. The financial difficulties of the Erie R. R. have been a discouraging influence and have prompted inference regarding the general investment situation lying beyond the peculiar conditions

surrounding the Erie case, copper prices have declined and reports from the iron and steel trade show small new orders for finished products and give rise to questions of the stability of iron prices. Railroad officials display little cheerfulness over the course of traffic, although reports of earnings begin to show the effect of economics in controlling the shrinkage in net earnings. Reporting from accepted authorities on the condition of the wheat crop are of very hopeful augury.

## BY WIRELESS.

At 10 o'clock last night the Standard Oil barge No. 3 was off the mouth of the river and in a communication to the wireless station reported that the piston was broken and she was only making five knots per hour. She is bound for Seattle and expects to reach there Tuesday night.

The Santa Rita is on the other side of the bar awaiting an opportunity to cross in.

## MORE SCHOOL HOUSES.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Determination on the part of the New York City board of Education to make the school houses is reflected in the vote of the board of estimates of \$1,000,000 for repair work on these structures. The money will be immediately expended for the putting into condition of 20 school houses which the board of education had reported as being in such condition as to jeopardize the lives of the pupils.

## SOCIALIST MEETING

### Discuss the Attitude of the Authorities.

## NO SYMPATHY WITH VIOLENCE

### Hot Resolutions Were Passed Condemning the City Officials for Failing to Give Unemployed Work and Not Allow Them to Hold Meetings

NEW YORK, April 4.—Without the semblance of disorder and under the surveillance of the police and detectives, 1500 persons took part in a meeting of the socialist party in the grand central palace today.

The purpose of the gathering was to discuss the attitude of the authorities in not permitting them to hold a public meeting in Union Square last Sunday and to let it be known that the socialists were not in sympathy with the acts of bomb throwers.

The police had warned the speakers against intemperate utterance and the speeches were mild.

Robert Hunter, the socialist leader, did not appear. Hot resolutions were passed condemning the city officials for failing to give work to the unemployed and for withholding permission for a meeting in Union Square.

## BRANCH LINE OPENED.

CHICAGO, April 4.—The Illinois Central R. R. has announced the opening of the Birmingham line from Jackson, Tenn., to Birmingham, Ala. and the inauguration of through freight traffic for Sunday, April 19. At Birmingham the Central will have the use of the Frisco terminals, as well as of its own ample terminal.

The Central will connect with the Central of Georgia Railroad, recently bought by E. H. Harriman, the Southern, Seaboard Air Line, the Alabama, Great Southern and the Louisville and Nashville Railroads to Southeastern points in Florida and the Carolinas.

## STANFORD WON.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., April 4.—Stanford won the first game of the intercollegiate baseball series from California today by a score of 2 to 1 in a fast and close contest.